

**WORLD RADIO REACTION TO THE PRESIDENT'S 25 APRIL ANNOUNCEMENT
OF THE PEACE-SHIP PROJECT.**

1. Communist Radios.

Radio Moscow ignored President Eisenhower's announcement until 17 May, when the appended commentary ridiculed the peace-ship project as part of a U. S. effort to market imaginary American successes in the peaceful application of atomic energy. The commentary was broadcast only in Finnish and was patently timed to coincide with the U. S. peaceful-uses exhibit in Helsinki. There has been no subsequent Soviet radio discussion of the project, in line with Radio Moscow's customary practice of playing down American achievements in the sphere of peaceful uses.

No comment has been monitored from the East European Satellites.

The Chinese Communist radio on 2 May broadcast the text of a PEOPLE'S DAILY editorial on Soviet efforts to develop atomic energy for peaceful purposes, which included the following single reference to the peace-ship project in a paragraph attacking U. S. "atom-mongering":

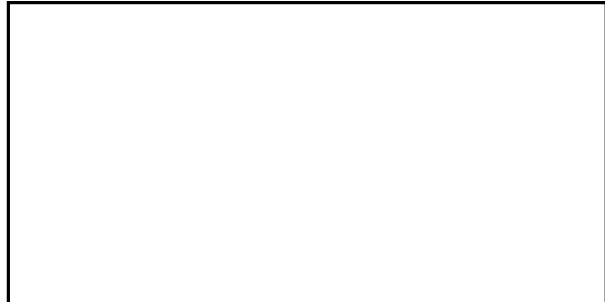
For the purpose of deceiving the people, the United States is attempting to use the building of an atomic ship to tour the world to show that it has also thought of the peaceful use of atomic energy. However, the facts are clear. Since 1945, when the United States dropped atomic bombs to kill thousands of Japanese people, what we have seen are regular announcements of the possession of hundreds of atomic bombs and hydrogen bombs, and strong opposition to the banning of atomic weapons. We have never seen the application of atomic energy in any enterprise for peace.

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2. [] has monitored no Western radio comment on the President's announcement or on the peace-ship project.

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